

spread President Kennedy's message far and wide to millions of little boys and girls, some of whom, myself included, rose to heed his call to public service.

Mr. Speaker, since the age of 6 I have wanted to work for others, and though I was a little girl at the time, I was touched by the energy of the times and the spirit of service has never left me. The ideals that Sargent Shriver advocated fell across a generation.

Born in Maryland, Sargent Shriver earned his undergraduate and law degrees at Yale University. Despite organizing a group focused on keeping America out of World War II, he volunteered and served for 5 years in the Pacific with the Navy, achieving the rank of lieutenant and receiving the Purple Heart for wounds suffered at Guadalcanal. He became associated with the Kennedy family, first managing a store in Chicago owned by Joseph Kennedy Sr. and later marrying Eunice Kennedy, John F. Kennedy's sister. He worked on the Kennedy campaign and endeared himself to the newly elected President.

On October 14, 1960, John F. Kennedy gave a speech at the University of Michigan and lingered afterwards with a group of students, the conversation lasting long into the night. During that meeting, they discussed the idea of a government program whereby young Americans would be sent to developing nations to aid in local projects, mostly centering on education, health, and agriculture. President Kennedy assumed office with this program in mind, and on March 1, 1961, the Peace Corps was born with Sargent Shriver as its first director. Volunteers arrived in five countries during 1961. In just under six years, Shriver developed programs in 55 countries with a volunteer count of more than 15,000.

The Peace Corps will also celebrate its 50th Anniversary in March, and it can credit its success to the diligent devotion shown by its first director and to his predecessors who must strive to meet his lofty standards. Sargent Shriver carried the flame of Camelot. Entire generations, inspired by his energy, took up his call to right wrongs, improve their communities, and implement his color-blind approach to administering the government.

In his drive to promote social equality and bring more people to public service, he founded numerous social programs and non-governmental organizations, including the Head Start Program, VISTA, Job Corps, Community Action, Upward Bound, Foster Grandparents, Special Olympics, Legal Services, the National Clearinghouse for Legal Services (now the Shriver Center), and Indian and Migrant Opportunities and Neighborhood Health Services.

His record of service includes representing the U.S. as Ambassador to France, being the 1972 Democratic candidate for Vice-President, practicing international law, and membership on the boards for numerous non-governmental organizations and philanthropic institutions. In his later years, he and his beloved wife, Eunice, organized The Special Olympics and made it an international force for the dignity of the disabled.

Mr. Speaker, Sargent Shriver once said, "The only genuine elite are the elite of those men and women who gave their lives to justice and charity." Today I commend Sargent Shriver's long life and distinguished career. His dedication and work on behalf of others has directly benefited thousands of communities, from the inner cities of the United

States to the most remote villages in Africa. He was the model of civil service and he will be missed.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF SARGENT SHRIVER

HON. THOMAS E. PETRI

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, as a returned Peace Corps volunteer, I rise today to note the passing of Sargent Shriver, who founded the Peace Corps and headed it for its first five years. He was the enthusiastic and committed leader of the new agency, taking it from its founding in 1961 to more than 14,500 volunteers serving in 55 countries by 1966.

I served in the Peace Corps in Somalia in 1966 and 1967 and saw firsthand the contribution that Peace Corps volunteers make to the communities they serve, as well as the effect service has on the volunteers. Fifty years later, the continued selfless and noble service outside our borders remains a testament to the timeless American ideals demonstrated and encouraged by Sargent Shriver.

But it wasn't just the Peace Corps. Sargent Shriver led a life of service, founding the Office of Economic Opportunity and helping to develop its many programs. From 1968 to 1970, he was our able ambassador to France during a difficult time in our relations with that country. In 1972, he ran for Vice President with George McGovern and then ran for President in 1976.

And yet, there are many people who are unfamiliar with Sargent Shriver's service and achievements. His biographer, Scott Stossel, told the Washington Post that it's hard to find another American figure where the disproportion between how much he accomplished and how little he is known is so large.

Let us pause to mark the passage of this public servant and say "thank you."

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) APPROVAL OF MERGER OF NBC UNIVERSAL AND COMCAST

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, yesterday the FCC approved the takeover of NBC, a television network, by Comcast, a cable TV and internet provider.

One condition of the merger's approval is that the combined company must not restrict access to any lawful online content. Another condition is that the merged company cannot give better treatment online to its own content than to the content produced by others. Comcast now has 23 million cable TV subscribers, and 16 million internet subscribers, making it the largest internet and cable TV service provider in the US. With such a pervasive conglomerate, it seems unlikely that these restrictions will ensure equal access to the internet, whose creation was funded by taxpayers.

Like any powerful tool, the internet must be protected from falling into the control of any one entity or entities which have too much authority to decide who can access it and what content they can put there. We need real Net Neutrality, not the FCC's recent proposal, which I will fight to strengthen.

RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS FOR THE 112TH CONGRESS AS ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON JANUARY 18, 2011

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following.

A. GENERAL

RULE 1. APPLICATION OF HOUSE RULES

The rules of the House are the rules of the Committee on Ways and Means and its subcommittees so far as applicable, except that a motion to recess from day to day, and a motion to dispense with the first reading (in full) of a bill or resolution, if printed copies are available, is a non-debatable motion of high privilege in the Committee.

Each subcommittee of the Committee is part of the Committee and is subject to the authority and direction of the Committee and to its rules so far as applicable. Written rules adopted by the Committee, not inconsistent with the Rules of the House, shall be binding on each subcommittee of the Committee.

The provisions of rule XI of the Rules of the House are incorporated by reference as the rules of the Committee to the extent applicable.

RULE 2. MEETING DATE AND QUORUMS

The regular meeting day of the Committee on Ways and Means shall be on the second Wednesday of each month while the House is in session. However, the Committee shall not meet on the regularly scheduled meeting day if there is no business to be considered.

A majority of the Committee constitutes a quorum for business; provided however, that two Members shall constitute a quorum at any regularly scheduled hearing called for the purpose of taking testimony and receiving evidence. In establishing a quorum for purposes of a public hearing, every effort shall be made to secure the presence of at least one Member each from the majority and the minority.

The Chairman of the Committee may call and convene, as he considers necessary, additional meetings of the Committee for the consideration of any bill or resolution pending before the Committee or for the conduct of other Committee business. The Committee shall meet pursuant to the call of the Chair.

RULE 3. COMMITTEE BUDGET

For each Congress, the Chairman, in consultation with the Majority Members of the Committee, shall prepare a preliminary budget. Such budget shall include necessary amounts for staff personnel, travel, investigation, and other expenses of the Committee. After consultation with the Minority Members, the Chairman shall include an amount budgeted by Minority Members for staff under their direction and supervision.

Thereafter, the Chairman shall combine such proposals into a consolidated Committee budget, and shall present the same to